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AUTOMOBILE PLANTS EXPAND POTENTIALS, SAVE MATERIALS

REPAIR PLANT IMPROVES TECHNIQUES -- Sovetskaya Moldaviya, No 70, 7 Apr 50

The Kishinev Motor Repair Plant is expanding its resources and improving its techniques. By its own efforts it has rehabilitated several old machine tools, including a radial drilling machine and gear cutter. It has increased the potential of its machine shop by installing an upright grinding machine, a circular grinding machine, and mechanical hack saw. It has increased fivefold the productivity of forging operations by installing a pneumatic hammer.

A horizontal boring machine for cylinders and large surfaces will permit the plant to repair motors of new-type automobiles. A tooth-slotting machine and cutting-off lathe are under installation on freed area. The forming area in the casting shop is being considerably enlarged. The feeding of the cupola furnaces and cutting of iron scrap are being mechanized.

By the end of the year, the plant's potential is expected to have tripled.

ACCOUNTING SYSTEM BRINGS RESULTS -- Leningradskaya Pravda, No 82, 6 Apr 50

Following the proposal of an individual achievement accounting system, made by B. Pushkin of the Yaroslavl' Automobile Plant, all the designers and technicians in the plant opened accounts. As a result, over 200,000 rubles in savings have already appeared in the office of the chief designer and large amounts of brass, tin, Babbitt, Diesel fuel, and other materials have been saved.

Trud, No 86, 11 Apr 50

Engineer B. Pushkin, of the Yaroslavl' Automobile Plant, who recently initiated the drive for an individual-achievement accounting system, has already been credited with 64,000 roubles' savings in the first quarter at his own plant.

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PLANT SAVES STEEL, TEXTOLITE -- Vechernyaya Moskva, No 87, 12 Apr 50

At the Moscow Automobile and Tractor Electrical Equipment Plant No 1, Engineer Abramyan, Designer Larichkin, and Chief Technician Sheronov made a proposal whose implementation will save 30 tons of steel and at least 450 kilograms of expensive textolite.

WORKER'S PROPOSALS TO SAVE PLANT MONEY -- Komosomol'skaya Pravda, No 83, 7 Apr. 50

Ivan Burov, a worker in the press shop of the Moscow Automobile Plant imeni Stalin and one of the plant's top "rationalizers," has suggested that the lighting apparatus of trucks, which hitherto have been mounted by means of brackets, be fastened directly to the sides of the frame. His suggestion, which has been approved by the plant's Bureau of Workers' Inventions, is expected to yield tens of millions of rubles in annual savings.

Burov has also proposed that the design of a certain die be modified, following which the stamping will leave the metal waste in such shape as to permit its utilization for other parts. This, it is estimated, will save the plant 90,000 rubles annually.

NETS PREVENT LOSSES OF SMALL PARTS -- Izvestiya, No 86, 11 Apr 50

The assembly of an automobile involves thousands of small parts, some of which get lost during the processing and transportation. To prevent this in the chrome-plating shop of the Gor'kiy Automobile Plant, Zhukov, a plater, hit upon the idea of installing nets in the chrome baths. As a result, his brigade did not lose a single part within a period of 2 months, although about 600,000 parts were processed.

KEEPS DIARY OF DAY'S WORK -- Vechernyaya Moskva, No 83, 7 Apr 50

At the Moscow Automobile Plant Stalin, N. Budyka, a molder, began to keep a diary which recorded all the events in the daily shift. His foreman would inspect it daily, make notations on it, and proceed to rectify any shortcoming in the shop.

The plant trade-union committee discussed this diary and found it desirable to popularize this "photographic picture" of the day's work throughout the plant.

TO FETE ANNIVERSARY WITH ABOVE-PLAN OUTPUT -- Kommunist, No 87, 12 Apr 50

On the occasion of the 30th anniversary of the Armenian SSR, the Yerevan Avtodetal' Plant has decided to work one day per month on the basis of materials saved. It will complete the year plan with respect to gross and commercial production by 29 October. It will release 800,000 rubles of above-plan accumulations in 1950.

PARTY WATCHES PLANT ACTIVITY -- Sovetskaya Kirgiziya, No 72, 11 Apr 50

Although the Tokmak Automobile Repair Plant carries on efficiently its program of production and repair of spare truck parts, the Party organization within the plant is keeping a watchful eye on operations and is exerting every effort to promote new techniques, economy, and proper utilization of capital. The Party was instrumental in bringing about in the machine shop a high standard of orderliness in production, better utilization of machine tools, greater responsibility on the part of shift foremen, exact accounting by the latter to the shop director, and organization of high-quality brigades.

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